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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT  
AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant(s): Hideyuki OMURA

Serial No. : 09/281,710 ✓

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For : EXTERNAL CAVITY LASER

Art Unit : 2828

Examiner : Cornelius H. Jackson

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE - GROUP 2828**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Responsive to the Office Action dated February 12, 2003, the term for response to which expires May 12, 2003, please amend the present application under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.116 as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please amend claims 1 and 4-18 as follows (see the attachment for details of the amendment):

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